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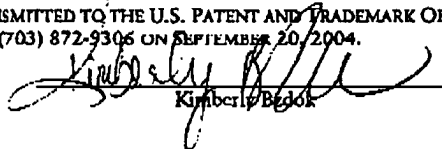
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Kimberly Bedok**RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT**

Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Office Action mailed on August 27, 2004 and identified as paper no. 08252004, in which all pending claims 1-26 were subject to an election of species requirement. In particular, the position was taken that the application includes claims directed to the following species. The Office Action listed the following species:

Species A, drawn to Figures 2-3.

Species B, drawn to Figures 4-6.

Species C, drawn to Figures 7-9.

Species D, drawn to Figures 10-12.

Species E, drawn to Figures 13-15.

By this response, Applicants elect to prosecute Species E in this application. This election is made without traverse. The claims readable on the elected Species B are: 1-3, 5, 8, 9-13, and 22.

The Office Action stated that claims 1-3, 11 and 13 are generic. Applicants assert that there are generic claims in the claims that read on the elected Species E, and understands that if a generic claim is allowed, applicants will be entitled to consideration of claims to

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additional species which are written in dependent form or otherwise include all the limitations of an allowed generic claim.

Examination of the application is requested.. No fee is believed to be necessary in connection with this response. Should an extension of time, or any fee be required, the applicant requests that this action be undertaken and our Deposit Account No. 06-0029 be charged for the fee.

Respectfully Submitted,

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